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SUBJ: PRESENT SITUATION OF CAMBODIAN DIPLOMATS

REFS: A) MVD 1568 AND PREVIOUS; B) STATE 107899 AND PREVIOUS.

1. CAMBODIANS SOM AND OUN, ACCOMPANIED BY EMBOFF, CALLED ON ICEM REP CRUZ MAY 13. THEY AND WE DISCOURAGED AS ICEM APPARENTLY CAN DO NOTHING BUT PROVIDE ON-GOING AIR TRANSPORTATION TO ANOTHER IF CAMBODIANS CAN GET SOME COUNTRY TO ISSUE THEM "PERMANENT" VISAS. ACCORDING TO CRUZ, ICEM DOES NOT HAVE MONEY EVEN FOR TICKETS. ITS MODUS OPERANDI IS TO REQUEST FUNDS FOR TRANSPORTATION FROM LATIN AMERICAN REGIONAL REP OF UNHCR IN BUENOS AIRES. NORMALLY, ONVE VISA RECEIVED AND FUNDS REQUESTED THERE IS A 15-DAY DELAY BEFORE ICEM AUTHORIZED TO PURCHASE TICKETS.

2. AS OF MAY 13 STATUS OF CAMBODIANS IS AS FOLLOWS. AMBASSADOR ONG HAS ASKED BRITISH EMBASSY FOR VISITORS VISAS. HIS WIFE'S PARENTS LIVE IN LONDON AND ARE PREPARED TO CARE FOR HIS FAMILY TEMPORARILY. DEPENDING ON OUTCOME OF SITUATION IN PHNOM PENH, HE MAY SEEK ASYLUM OF U.S. EVENTUALLY.

3. SOM STILL DESIRES RELOCATION IN U.S. HIS WIFE HAS LOST ADDRESS OF RELATIVES IN CALIFORNIA (COUSINS--SO NO IV ELIGIBILITY ON THAT GROUND) AND HAS WRITTEN TO SINGAPORE TO OBTAIN IT. SOM SAYS FAMILY NOW DOWN TO \$2,000. WE BELIEVE HE WILL CABLE SINGAPORE TODAY FOR
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CALIFORNIA ADDRESS WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED ASAP.

4. OUN NO LONGER WISHED SETTLE IN THAILAND AND SEEKING BELGIAN
VISAS FOR SELF AND FAMILY. WILL ADVISE RE SUCCESS.

5. WE GETTING IMPRESSION THAT EVERYONE, GOVERNMENTS AND INTERNA-
TIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, VERY SYMPATHETIC TO PLIGHT OF CAMBODIANS
BUT THAT LITTLE MORE THAN SYMPATHY FORTHCOMING.
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